## MRS. ROBERTSON PLANNED HOLDUP AT M'ALPIN HOTEL

Witness Swears Fake Robbery Was to Have Been Staged in Hostelry.

SHY OF GOTHAM COPS.

John Bailey, on Stand, Says He Refused to "Pull Job" Here.

(Special From Staff Correspondent of The Evening World.)

FREEHOLD, N. J., May 26.-Joh Bailey, who has confessed he was em ployed by Mrs. Sarah L. Robertson of Deal to hold-up her and her guests Feb. 18 so she might make a \$52,000 claim for insurance for the loss of he jewels, went on the stand here to-day in the Monmouth County Court as witness for the State in Mrs. Robert son's trial on charges of larceny anconspiracy to defraud Lloyd's of Lon-

He testified that last Novembe Samuel Gasn engaged him to enact the part of a hold-up man, using pistol to "force" Mrs. Robertson and other guests to "shell out." He said it was planned to make the "robbery" Nov. 80 or Dec. 4 but both wer

mat for me to get in with," he testi-fied. "Mrs. Robertson was to hand me her bag. One other guest, a man from Belmar with an arm broken would offer no resistance; he was i

In the middle of December, Bailey testified, the plans were changed to hold up the apartment of Mrs. Flor ence E. Pelletreu at No. 225 West 86th Street, pose as a real estate agent threatening also to kidnap Mrs. Pel letreu's son.

would not tackle that. I didn' want to try it in New York. I also refused to try a job in the Hotel Mc. Alpin, where Mrs. Robertson was to be." he testified.

The plans then were made to re the house at Deal on the night of Feb "I got to the house and saw every body laughing; that was the signal,

D. F. Meyer, Edward Lazarus, H. C. Taber and Miss Olive Robinson wer guests of Mrs. Robertson, Bailey said

he pointed his gun and commande everybody to "shell out." "Mrs. Robertson threw her pocket book at me," he testified. "It had paper in it. All the money I was to get was to go to me. I told Meyer to 'shell but,' but Mrs. Robertson shook her head. She raised her hand

and 1 left." The witness testified he carried : volver and wore a mask. The revolver was a .25 calibre automatic the mask a handkerchief with two

holes cut in it. The witness put on the mask and

Mrs. Robertson joined in the laughter of the courtroom the night of the hold-up, did she?"

asked Prosecutor Sexton. opened the door wide, grinned, but her grin changed to a frightened expression," Bailey re-

He said he got \$35 from Meyer and that he was to get \$1,000 from Mrs. Robertson when she collected her in surance. Mrs. Robertson seemed no mor

disturbed by his testimony than sh did yesterday when Samuel Gasn wa testifying to virtually the same story She wore a new costume consisting of a brown crepe dress embroidered with beads, brown shoes and stock ings and a bandeau of tulle of the same color about her auburn hair. A brown scarf was hung over he shoulders and she were a bouquet of sweet peas fastened on it. Unlike yes terday, when she wore many lewels

she were only one ring. She smiled radiantly at acquaintances. On cross-examination Bailey ad mitted he told Andrew J. C. Stokes, Mrs. Robertson's counsel, that h knew everything was "all right" when he saw that Meyer and Taber were at the house. He also admitted

the night of the hold up. Bailey was asked if he met a ma named Jackson Heming on the train the day after the robbery and said to "I wish I had the haul Meyer

he never saw Mrs. Robertson before

made last night." "- the witness answered. "Did you know Meyer and Tabe

Stokes asked. "I didn't know Meyer was to be there, but I knew Taber was," re-

plied Bailey. Mr. Stokes was attacked by Prosecutor Sexton and reprimanded by Judge Lawrence for his method of

cross-examining the witness when be asked Bailey how many men he had

Sexton objected, and declared Mr Stokes to be "ignorant" of law. "That was highly improper, Mr. Stokes," said Judge Lawrence. "If you do it again I'll discipline you." On redirect examination Bailey testi fied that Stokes came to him in jail

and asked him to write Meyer, saying that if he didn't get him out of jail he would "tell all." He said he didn't write the letter. Mrs. Harriet Weiss of Long Branch testified Mrs. Robertson had used her

telephone on the night of the robbery

# Mad Hatter Winning the Metropolitan Handicap As Society Attends the Opening of Belmont Park



## WHY ASK WIVES TO "OBEY;" NEVER DO, SAYS JUSTICE

Love, Serve, Honor and Keep," Is Marriage Formula of Magistrate.

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., May 26. Judge Charles H. Piper has eliminated the word "obey" from the marriage ceremonies performed by him as Police Justice.

"Wives never obey their husbands, anyway," said the Judge, "so why make the ceremony ridiculous by including that injunc-

The Judge requires the bride to promise that she will "love, serve, nonor and keep her husband in sickness and in health.

continued, but Mr. Meyer was somewhat nervous.

H. C. Taber of Belmar, one of Mrs Robertson's guests on the night of Feb. 18, testified he had been asked by Gasn if he would participate as a at Mrs. Robertson's house Dec. 1. "I hold him I wouldn't do it." Taber

estified. He was asked by Mrs. Robrtson to come to her house Feb. 18, continued, the message coming through Gasn, who said Mrs. Roberton wanted to see him on business. It was not believed Mrs. Robertson woul diestify in her own defense today as the Prosector announced that he had still ten witnesses to call for the State.

#### ASKS CITY TO PURCHASE THE LITCHFIELD PLOT

Proposes Battle Memorial.

Charles A. Ditmas, President of the Kings County Historical Society, and liked, get a beating. Henry went to Beta Kappa elections. George A. Tiffany appeared before the the house and changed his clother Board of Estimate to-day to urge the and then came in the back yard and acquisition by the city, as a memo- father ran after him across the field. ial park, of the block bounded by Fourth Avenue. Third Street and Fifth the woods near the lake and he ran Avenue and Fifth Streets, Brooklyn, directly in the direction of the water,

there not to build until the city has for fear of my father and afraid that manager. decided whether or not the land should I would be arrested. Presider be acquire.

CONSOLIDATE.

Justice Faber in Supreme Court, rooklyn, to-day signed an order ausorizing the consolidation of the Bedord Heights and Sumner Avenue Bap-ist churches under the designation of the Trinity Baptist Church. The site of the new congregation was not indi-cated in the perition, which stated that he congregations of both churches de-

COAL STRIKE CONFERENCE GOES AWAY FOR WEEK.

Union officials and anthracite operato notify the insurance company that she had been held up. Then, she continued, Mrs. Robertson stayed and played cards. The witness said they all had a pleasant evening. Mrs. Robertson did not seem upset, she reduction.

Union officials and anthracite operators for a 21 per cent. wage to make the company finding, No. of the Academias, a work tors, conferring in an attempt to end that night. The assarsin escaned. A said to be the first complete recover was found in the helivay of a fellow in the academias after eight years of research. It is not not the people made factions into which the near that the people made factions of the operators for a 21 per cent. wage likely to the shot was fired, residents of the block fold the police.

# MURDER CHARGI

Clarence Schmei Admits He Saw Brother Drown Himself After Fleeing Home.

John Schmel is back on his farm near Tuckerton, N. J., to-day, having seen exonerated of the death of hu en-year-old son, Henry, through the lory of Clarence, his sixteen-yea old son. The father had been arrested Tuesday after the body of Henry was found in a little lake near his home.

Clarence was taken as a witness vesterday and after he had told how Henry jumped into the lake, Prose witness for a fake hold-up to be held cutor Jayne of Lakewood ordered the father's release. The Prosecutor issued this statement:

"The story told by Clarence was creatly different from that of his dictory at the class day exercises at father, and I sent a country officer to Tuckerton, who brought the boy back to the County Jail at Tom's River, where his father was held.

"There Ellis Parker, noted detecive from Burlington County, and I questioned the boy in the presence of and, while sobbing, told the following

"'On the afternoon of Henry's disappearance, upon Henry's arrival Lawrence, L. I., will present the class home from school I told father a lie sift to the college, following which in order to- see Henry, who I dis- Vivian Tappan will announce the Phi My brother outran fathe, and I took up the pursuit. I chased him into known as the Litchfield property. "'When I was about five feet be"The greatest fighting of the Bathind him Henry jumped from the

le of Long Island took place on this bank of the lake and disappeared pot," said Mr. Ditmas. "Many patholas are buried there. It should be spot for some time and then elimbed preserved by the city as a memorial reserved by the city as a memorial a tree overhanging the lake, expect Brooklyn Borough President Riegel- lag that I might see my brother's booklyn Borough President Riegel- body beneath the muddy surface. man said the only step that be can body beneath the muddy surface. However, his body failed to come to property is to appeal to lot purchasers the top and I was afraid to go home.

'I stayed out until after dark and TWO BROOKLYN CHURCHES TO then decided I would go home and tell my parents I did not see Henry. have stuck to the lie since the very beginning, but now I am telling

The boy related him he had visited Students' Hall June 5. the spot five times since the day of the disappearance and on one of these trips the officials of the Prosecutor's office saw him climb the tree.

SLAIN AS HE SAT ON STOOP. James Tierney, sixteen, of No. 201
West 11th Street, was shot and killed
while he was sitting on the stoop of the

Prince Beaude, a lecturer at St. Suips
Hall, Montreal. Some time ago th
priest took to France, to be presented
to the French Academy, his "Histor

# IS ANNOUNCED FOR CLASS EXERCISES BUT OWNERS FLEE

Show, to Be Given on June 2 and 3.

Evelyn Orne of No. 15 Clyde Street, Jamaica, will give the vale-Barnard College, June 6, it was announced to-day. Eve M. Jacoby of No. 139 Claremont Avenue, senior class President, will give the salutatory. Helen Warren of Perth Amboy, N. J., is class historian

Following the class history. prophecy, arranged by Roberta Dunbacher of No. 628 West 151st Street. will be given. Edith J. Cahn of Lawrence, L. I., will present the class

"Dangerous Ages" is the title of the nior show to be given in Brincker noff Theatre June 2 and 3. The cast includes Eve M. Jacoby, Margot Emerson, Robert Dunbacher, Eva Hutchison, Isabel Strang, Eva Glas brook, Louise Schlichting, Heler Mack, Heien Dayton, Margaret Fe zandie, Eleanor Starke, Pearl Wach man, Leah Josephson, Veera Sworts. Edith Veit and Elsie Johnson. Marguerite Gerdau la Chairman

the show committee and Helen Day ton, Lila North and Jane Dewey hav charge of the staging, costuming an lighting. Margaret Talley is business President and Mrs. Nicholas Murra

lutler, Prof. and Mrs. Jacoby, M. and Mrs. Cahn, Mr. and Mrs. Lowe Dr. and Mrs. Griffin Miss Bird Lar on, Miss Myrick, Miss Weeks and Miss Abbott will be patrons and patronesses at the senior dance

ACADIAN HISTORIAN BACK FROM FRANCE.

Among those on board the Fr. liner Rochambeau, which arrived from Havre to-day, was the Rev. i Prince Beaude, a lecturer at St. Suipe of the Acadlana," a work compiled a member of the French I'go

DISCLOSES STILLS.

Dangerous Ages," Senior Thirty-Three Families Routed by Smoke and Fumes of Alcohol.

> Following an explosion that blew ou all the windows of a three-room apartment on the second floor of the six story tenement at No. 527 East 117th Street at noon to-day, a fire started which flooded the building with thick smoke and a strong odor of alcohol. The thirty-three families in the buildng were driven from their apartments, those on the upper floors es caping by way of the roof.

After firemen had extinguished th plaze Policemen Gleason and Leary of the East 126th Street Station investigated the apartment and found it barof furniture, but equipped with two galvanized stills about four feet high twenty five-gallon cans of alcohol, barrel of liquid that smelled like alco hel and the remnants of about a doze ans that had contained alcohol an and contributed their contents to th

ng that they did not know who occu aied the apartment. Two strange mehey said.

### DON'T HURL BRICKS, LAY 'EM, SAYS HAYS

Movie Dictator Sees Pros perity for Country Just Ahead of Us.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., May 26. prosperity is right ahead of us and it s time to go out and meet it," Will H. Hays, President of the Motion Picture Producers and Distributors of America, declared to-day in Carnegie take about forty-five minutes institute here. "Let us lay bricks, not throw

them," he said. "I cry continually for the common sense of courage, confidence and co-operation Hays spoke briefly on the subject or consorable, declarian the public

"just as it is for the press and the pulpit." one was injured.

## sterdam Avenues, for the reason, he said, that the Broadway line served Tries Cave Man Life at Tender Age of 10 Years

But Hoboken Lad Is Cured When His Victuals Are Entirely Consumed.

Michael Ribaudo of Hoboken startrience for thirty-four hours. He is at his home, No. 314 Monroe Street, to-day, probably cured of his ondness for running away.

He started for Public School No. 3 Wednesday morning, but thought better of it and wandered off to Wee lawken, making a stand at last in a rocky, wooded stretch knows as Weehawken Cliffs. He had bought some acon, sausage and bread for the adventure, and in the woods he made

The adventure went very well until Il o'clock last might when all the provisions save a sandwich were one. Then he ventured into the treet, munching the last few rumbs. John Schuster, who lives in Kingwood Avenue, found him and ook him to Weehawken Police Headuarters. His father was notified.

## HETTRICK CASE TO JURY TO-DAY

Counsel on Both Sides Sums Up in the Conspiracy Trial.

se trial of John T. Hettrick, lawyer, id others on indictments charging to energe master steamtters into joining Hettrick's "code of ractice" system, was spent by cound in the case in summations. The use probably will go to the jury this

Virtually all of to-day's session i

Max D. Steuer finished his summaon shortly before noon, after adlient. Charles G. Witherspoon, and he other four defendants. Former Senator Martin Sheridan, representng Martin Mct'ue and John M. Imoff, two of the defendants, followed Mr. Stener.

Deputy Attorney General Chambers ill sum up for the prosecution this afternoon. Justice Alverson estinated his charge to the jury would

5,000 POLICEMEN TO HAVE COM-GIRLS PLEE FIRE: BLAST IN NEWARK GARAGE.

Fire caused \$15,000 democrarage of Samuel Weist followed an explo

# AT POLO GROUNDS

Washington Heights Wants Hints at Criminal Proceedings B. R. T. to Extend Along St. Nicholas Avenue.

Considerable opposition to "dead nding" at the Polo Grounds the B. . T. Central Park West proposed exenth from 110th Street to 121st Street, along St. Nicholas Avenue to 176th freet and up Fort Washington Ave-

The Washington Heights represen-

atives, among whom were Mayer . Goldman, Reginald Pelham Boiton, denry Pasternack, former Alderman lames Forest, Charles S. Lubin and others, all favored the Transit Com-They were a unit in advocating that the B. R. T. extension from Columbus Circle should serve Washington both a B. R. T. and I. R. T. service. Mr. Bolton, an engineer, who apeared for the Washington Heights hamber of Commerce, said the present plan of terminating the extension at 155th Street near the Polo Grounds would benefit the 120,000 vegroes in Harlem and the transients who go to the Polo Grounds. He said he was not adverse to serving the Negroes in Harlem, but added "I think there are some things more imortant than baseball parks"

John J. Walker of the Bedford Heights (Brooklyn) Board of Trade vas also against the 155th Street Mr. Walker said that Brooklynites vanted to get quick access to the au-

mobile section along Central Park West, north of Columbus Circle, and he thought, too, that they wanted o go to Washington Heights more than to Harlem, and "the only advantage in the Seventh Avenue ter ninal will be to our colored friends H. R. T. service to Coney Island." Copeland Townsend, President of he Central Park West and Columbus Avenue Association, favored the proosed route up Central Park West, out thought the terminal should be n Washington Heights. Mr. Townsend was not in accord with the proposed trunk line up Eighth and Am-

the territory to be served by the pro-posed west side trunk line. Harry Pasternack, a department store owner in Washington Heights, said the Chamber of Commerce Washington Heights had circulated a petition and obtained 100,000 signatures pleading for the St. Nicholas Avenue route instead of the Polo

Dudley Harde favored the west side trunk line up Eighth and Amsterdam Avenues, but wanted the terminal ex-

tended from 181st Street to Dyckman At the conclusion of the hearing, Mr. Goldman thanked the Transit Commissioners for holding the public hearing and said the Commission was approaching the problem of rapid transit in the right spirit. He said the criticisms directed at the plan were constructive only, and not in any sense against the general scheme of

#### CRAIG WINS VICTORY FOR QUEENS PEOPLE

unification of the traction systems.

Reduces 40 Per Cent. Tax to 20 for Extension of Northern Boulevard. Comptroller Craig was given an

vation by residents from Queens to tay when he succeeded in reversing report of the Committee on Assessments which would have imposed 40 per cent, of the cost of the widening and improvement of the Northern Boulevard on the immediate neighborood. The Comptroller believed that inasmuch as the people in the imme-

ment are opposed to it, but would prefer assessments for sewers and other much needed developments. they should not be taxed more than is per cent. for the boulevard. Estimate Board voted to sustain the comptroller. The borough will pay 30 per cent, and the city at least 5 The reversal of the assessors' re-

port was brought about by Mr. Crais after a large delegation of Queens property owners had vigorously protested that the extending of North Boulevard did not initiate with them that it benefited only Sunday auto mobilists who travel into Nassa County, and that they would be will ing to pay almost any amount fo the laying out of streets and the in stallation of up-to-date sewers in

The extension otherwise known Broadway-Jackson Avenue, will b 100 feet wide and will run from Cemtery Lane to the eastern boundary

MUNION BREAKFAST.

The branch of Holy Name Society he Police Department, Brooklyn and Queens sections, will hold their annuway Street. It is expected 5,000 policines will be in attendance. The policines the were damaged. No Aberdeen Street, They will receive munion and then go to the breakfast,

## OPPOSE "DEAD END" SHUT RIVAL BAKERY, OF NEW SUBWAY UNTERMYER TELLS UNION ORGANIZER

in Alleged Conspiracy-Granite Body Dissolves.

Samuel Untermyer interrupted the examination of Jacob Goldstone, general organizer of the Bakers' and Confectioners' Union of America to-day to make this threat:

"I will give you until to-night to lose the union store in Avenue C. The intimation was that criminal proceedings would be taken against Goldstone and local officers of the Jewish Bakers' union charging conspiracy to ruin Max Schlesinger of

Testimony to prove the extent to union methods can go tyranny and ruthicssness, with the Jewish bakers as an example, has been taken at length in order to imfor a state regulation of the finances actions which affect other than union members and employers.

Schlesinger yesterday said he had sought permission to discharge a baker because of the falling off of his business. When he became insistent and took the matter before the ordered on his place and a boycott was enforced by a picket, made up hundreds of men, women and boys. inion opened a rival bakery, in which it sold bread and rolls far below the cost of manuafacture, ruining him and other bakers in the vicinity

He was also informed that a him, the amount of which, though kept secret, was so great that it would prevent him earning his living as a Journeyman baker should he try to re-enter the union after his bust-

ruined Goldstone testified that the union ad raised a fund of \$15,000 to establish the punitive union bakery. He said the international union had inions to agree to arbitration with the master Jewish bakers and that the international union could not dictate to the locals.

Daniel H. Brown, No. 495 Eighth Avenue, Brooklyn, a granite con-tractor, testified that he was a of the firm of John Brown & Son of Peekskill, N. Y., with local Avenue, the Bronx. He declared that meeting Saturday afternoon of the Building Franite Manufacturers' Association, at which all members were proxy, the association unanimously voted to dissolve at once and truted its counsel to draw up th

necessary papers. a letter received from the Architec which held a meeting May 18 in Chicago, with eight members present.

Frank C. Perkins, Commissioner e Public Affairs of Buffalo, was the ug with the matter of various continu and recommendations for public schools in Buffalo. Mr. Perkins pand that a recommendation of the Bourd of Education for \$8,000,000 in 1919 for new school buildings was increased to \$14,754,751 in 1921. Later, Mr. Perkins said, with additional allowances for equipment and other changes, the amount was increased to \$19,867,301.

It was brought out that a substitute recommendation was later made to the City Council which amounted to between ten and eleven million dolars. Mr. Untermyer said that many bids were rejected following the last visit to Buffalo of the Lockwood com-

#### "DIAMOND WORTH \$400" PROVES TO BE BAUBLE

Emil Vaida of No. 247 West 42d Street, Manhattan, was found guilty of grand larceny in the second degree beore County Judge MacMahon and a jury in Brooklyn to-day. The com-plainant was Joseph Gill, proprietor of a restaurant and hotel at No. 355 Furan Street, Brooklyn.

ian Street, Brooklyn.
Gill said that on April 10 Vaida of-ered him a stone he said was a dis-tioned worth \$400 for \$200. Gill bought t. Later he learned it was a piece of dass, he said. The next day Vaida telephoned Gill

te had another stone to sell. Gill told him to bring it around, and when Valda arrived, called a policeman. Valda will e sentenced Monday.

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